

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE November 2, 1987

FULL NAME Leonard LaGrave SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____
 (No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS _____
 CITY Pawtucket STATE Rhode Island ZIP CODE 02860

DATE OF BIRTH January 1956 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 31 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Roman Catholic NATIONALITY Born in USA (French Descent)

OCCUPATION Auto Repair

EDUCATION High School

WEIGHT Approx 160 lbs HEIGHT Approx 5' 7" RACE Caucasian

COLOR OF HAIR Black COLOR OF EYES Brown

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS Glasses, clear evidence of tooth decay

MARRIED OR SINGLE Divorced CHILDREN Two boys - living with mother
 (Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
Pack 28	Pawtucket	RI	Webelos Leader	August 1980	Jan. 1986

SPECIAL RECOGNITION _____

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

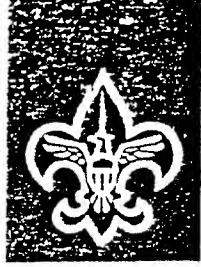
Received Judgment of Acquittal on charges of First Degree Child Molestation and Abominable & Detestable Crime Against Nature. _____

Pastor of sponsoring institution would not allow Mr. LaGrave to reregister. Regional office concurred.

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

Signed Walter J. Smith
 SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Narragansett #546



SCOUTING/USA

November 9, 1987

Mr. Vincent N. Borrelli
Scout Executive
Narragansett Council, No. 546

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Leonard LaGrave

Dear Vince:

We wrote to you a month ago concerning the above-named individual. This was done after we had received some information from Rudy Flythe, indicating that this man was now attempting to register after having been acquitted of first degree child molestation charges. It was also indicated in the letter that this was not the first time he had been indicted.

We still feel that Mr. LaGrave should not be working with youth in Scouting. We would like a copy of the Confidential Record Sheet sent to us so we may identify him should he attempt registration in some other location. I am sending you another sheet in case you do not have one available.

We would like to have a few more facts concerning this case if you have them. Who was the victim of the child molestation charges originally? Was this incest or was some other youth involved?

We would like to hear from you so we can complete this file and make certain that Mr. LaGrave cannot register in any unit.

Let us know if we may be of help or you have any other questions.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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Encl.

cc: Northeast Region

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National Office
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

1325 Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, Texas 75038-3096
Telephone: 214-580-2000

*Said
Thought
we needed one
in 7 units.*

*Mailed to
Paul Ernst
Rudy Flythe
11/27/87*

CONF014339



NARRAGANSETT COUNCIL 546 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

September 17, 1987

Mr. Leonard Lagrave

Pawtucket, RI 02860

Dear Lenny,

I am writing to continue the conversation that we had yesterday morning. I was not satisfied with the response that I was able to give at the time, so I inquired further with our Scout Executive, Mr. Borrelli.

After consulting with the Regional Office of the Boy Scouts, we were advised not to accept an application from you as a volunteer adult leader in our organization. Despite the Judgement of Acquittal, the thought is that the suspicion alone would constitute too great a risk for us in the community. It is necessary that parents have absolute faith not only in our program but especially in our leaders.

It is our hope that you will understand our need to make such a decision. Should you wish to pursue the matter further, your next recourse would be to contact the Narragansett Council President, Jules Cohen in writing. He would continue with a further inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Berthelette
District Executive
Blackstone Valley District



NARRAGANSETT COUNCIL

546

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

September 17, 1987

Dear Rudy,

Attached is a copy of a memo regarding the case of Leonard LaGrave. Mr. LaGrave has been informed of the decision that he will no longer be allowed to serve as a volunteer leader in the Boy Scouts of America.

Vince



NARRAGANSETT COUNCIL 546 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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FROM: Peter Berthelette
RE: Leonard LaGrave

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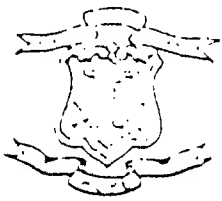
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As the discussion continued, it was clear that he would now seek a position in any other area unit. He asked that if I heard of an opening, would I give him a call.

Following this discussion, I called Fr. Allard of St. Cecilia's in Pawtucket. Fr. Allard expressed his view that neither he nor the unit leaders wanted to take the risk of allowing Mr. LaGrave to rejoin Scouting, especially since this was not his first indictment.

This morning, when you called our Regional Office, Mr. Flythe indicated that the risk was too great on our end as well. It is now our position that Leonard LaGrave should no longer be allowed to serve as a volunteer leader in the Boy Scouts of America. Should he wish to appeal this decision, he may do so in writing to Council President, Jules Cohen.



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Providence
_____, SC.

SUPERIOR COURT

State of Rhode Island
vs.

Leonard LaGrave

IND.
INF. P1/86-990
NO.

COMPLAINT

JUDGMENT OF ACQUITTAL

This matter came to trial before GALLAGHER, J. as to the defendant
Leonard LaGrave after the said defendant had entered a plea of NOT GUILTY
as to the offense(s) of

1-4 First Degree Child Molestation

7&8 Abominable & Detestable Crime Against Nature

(Here insert only those offenses on which the defendant was found not guilty)

After the presentation of evidence, argument of counsel, consideration by a ☒ jury
☐ Justice and a ☒ jury verdict ☐ judicial decision of NOT GUILTY as to the
defendant, it is now hereby

ADJUDGED

that a judgment of acquittal be and the same is hereby entered for the said defendant on
said offense(s) and that the bail or personal recognizance on said offense(s) is hereby
canceled and discharged.

Entered at Providence, Rhode Island, this 20th day of
February 19 87.

ENTER:

Gallagher, J.

Justice

BY ORDER,

Th. J. McElhiney
Dep. Clerk

January 4, 1988

Mr. Vincent W. Borrelli
Scout Executive
Narragansett Council, No. 546

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Leonard LaGrave

Dear Vince:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

READY TO FILE
JAN 05 1988
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF014345

November 9, 1987

Mr. Vincent N. Borrelli
Scout Executive
Harragansett Council, No. 546

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL


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Registration Service

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READY TO FILE
NOV 10 1987
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF014346

October 12, 1987

Vincent N. Borrelli
Scout Executive
Narragansett Council, No. 546

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Leonard LaGrave

Dear Vince:

I recently received from Rudy Flythe some information concerning the above named individual. I believe the circumstances dictate that we place Mr. LaGrave on the confidential file, as you have requested.

We would like a copy of the letter which was sent to Mr. LaGrave if you have informed him in writing. This will be helpful in setting up our file.

We would also like to have a completed Confidential Record Sheet. I am enclosing one for your use. Please give us as much information as is available to you. This will help us to identify Mr. LaGrave should he attempt registration in some other location.

If you have any information that you feel would be helpful to us in completing this file, please do not hesitate to forward it to our office. We feel that poor judgment was used and even if Mr. LaGrave is acquitted, he does not meet the moral standards we desire.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: Northeast Region

*Added to CF
file. Not
registered at this
time. 10/13/87 cm*

READY TO FILE
OCT 12 1987
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF014347



National Office
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



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9/25/87

Paul Ernst

f. Carl confirm
that he is
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Northeast Region
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



September 23, 1987

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Ben H. Love
Chief Scout Executive
National Council, BSA
[Redacted]

Dear Ben:

Please review the attached in light of our more recent policy regarding child abuse accusations.

I'm certain you will get back to me if you question my judgment as to risk potential.

Following your review, will you forward this on to Paul Ernst. I trust Vince has also sent along a confidential.

Sincerely,


RUDY FLYTHE



NARRAGANSETT COUNCIL
[546]
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



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Vince

NORTHEAST REGION
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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DAYTON, NEW JERSEY 08810

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NARRAGANSETT COUNCIL [546] BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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FROM: Peter Berthelette
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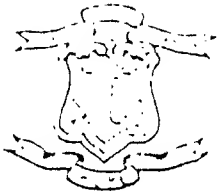
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CONF014351



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Providence

sc.

SUPERIOR COURT

State of Rhode Island

vs.

IND.

INF.

P1/86-990

NO.

Leonard LaGrave

COMPLAINT

JUDGMENT OF ACQUITTAL

This matter came to trial before GALLANT, J. as to the defendant
Leonard LaGrave after the said defendant had entered a plea of NOT GUILTY
as to the offense(s) of

1-4 First Degree Child Molestation

758 Abominable & Detestable Crime Against Nature

(Here insert only those offenses on which the defendant was found not guilty)

After the presentation of evidence, argument of counsel, consideration by a ☒ jury
☐ Justice and a ☒ jury verdict ☐ judicial decision of NOT GUILTY as to the
defendant, it is now hereby

ADJUDGED

that a judgment of acquittal be and the same is hereby entered for the said defendant on
said offense(s) and that the bail or personal recognizance on said offense(s) is hereby
canceled and discharged.

Entered at Providence, Rhode Island, this 20th day of
February, 19 87.

ENTER:

BY ORDER,

Gallant, J.

Justice

Chas. J. Mellish
Clerk



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Providence, SC.

SUPERIOR COURT

State of Rhode Island

vs.

Leonard LaGrave

IND.

INF.

COMPLAINT

NO. 22/86-990

JUDGMENT OF ACQUITTAL UNDER RULE 29(a)

This matter came to trial before GALLANT J. and, after testimony was taken and after both the State of Rhode Island and the defendant Leonard LaGrave had rested, the said defendant moved for acquittal, pursuant to Rule 29(a) of the Rules of Criminal Procedure, of the offense(s) of

S & S - Abominable & Detestable Crime Against Nature

It is now hereby

ADJUDGED

that a judgment of acquittal be and the same is hereby entered for the said defendant on said offense(s) pursuant to Rule 29(a) of the Rules of Criminal Procedure, and that the bail or personal recognizance on said offense(s) is hereby canceled and discharged.

Entered at Providence, Rhode Island, this 20th day of February, 19 87.

ENTER.

BY ORDER,

William J. Gallant
Justice

John T. Mellish
Clerk

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